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Amendments to the claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A tissue-dispensing apparatus for attachment to a mounting surface, said tissue-dispensing apparatus for mounting a tissue roll therein, said tissue-dispensing apparatus for dispensing a tissue fabric therefrom, comprising:

a one-piece contoured sleeve having a tubular portion and a mounting portion extending from said tubular portion, said tubular portion for holding the tissue roll therein, said mounting portion for attaching the tissue-dispensing apparatus to the mounting surface, said tubular portion further including a slot for allowing the tissue fabric to pass therethrough;[[.]]

wherein said one-piece contoured sleeve is a deformable sheet that generally is folded for forming said tubular portion and said mounting portion.

Claim 2 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein said mounting portion has at least one opening integrally formed therein for receiving at least one fastener and attaching the tissue-dispensing apparatus to the mounting surface.

Claim 3 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein said mounting portion has at least one fastener coupled thereto for attaching said mounting portion to the mounting surface.

Claim 4 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 3 wherein said at least one fastener is selected from the group consisting of an adhesive fastener, a magnetic fastener, a screw fastener, and a rivet fastener.

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Claim 5 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein said one-piece contoured sleeve is comprised of a material selected from the group consisting of a plastic material, a metallic material, and a resilient material.

Claim 6 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein said mounting portion has a planar construction for attachment to a planar mounting surface.

Claim 7 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein said mounting portion includes an overhang portion extending therefrom for hanging the tissue-dispensing apparatus on at least one of a door edge, a window sill, and a projection extending from the mounting surface.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A tissue-dispensing apparatus for attachment to a mounting surface, said tissue-dispensing apparatus for mounting a tissue roll therein, said tissue-dispensing apparatus for dispensing a tissue fabric therefrom, comprising:

a one-piece contoured sleeve having a tubular portion and a mounting portion extending from said tubular portion, said tubular portion for holding the tissue roll therein, said mounting portion for attaching the tissue-dispensing apparatus to the mounting surface, said tubular portion further including a slot for allowing the tissue fabric to pass therethrough; and

an endcap coupled to a distal portion of said tubular portion
~~element~~ for covering an end portion of the tissue fabric;[[.]]

wherein said one-piece contoured sleeve is a deformable sheet that generally is folded for forming said tubular portion and said mounting portion;

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wherein said mounting portion includes a front section extending from a front side of said tubular portion and a separate rear section extending from a rear side of said tubular portion;

wherein said front section and said rear section of said mounting portion comprise opposing ends of said deformable sheet with said tubular portion therebetween.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 8 wherein said endcap includes at least one notch formed therein for receiving said distal portion [[an edge]] of said tubular portion.

Claim 10 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 8 wherein said tubular portion has an edge portion with a groove formed therein for receiving said endcap and coupling said endcap thereto.

Claim 11 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 10 wherein said endcap has a rib for insertion into said groove of said tubular portion and attaching said endcap to said tubular portion in a snap-fit engagement.

Claim 12 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 8 wherein said tubular portion has an edge portion with a rib protruding therefrom for engaging said endcap and attaching said endcap to said tubular portion in a snap-fit engagement.

Claim 13 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 12 wherein said endcap has a groove formed therein for receiving said rib and attaching said endcap to said tubular portion in said snap-fit engagement.

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Claim 14 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 8 wherein said mounting portion has at least one opening integrally formed therein for receiving at least one fastener and attaching the tissue-dispensing apparatus to the mounting surface.

Claim 15 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 8 wherein said mounting portion has at least one fastener coupled thereto for attaching said mounting portion to the mounting surface, said at least one fastener being selected from the group consisting of an adhesive fastener, a magnetic fastener, a screw fastener, and a rivet fastener.

Claim 16 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 8 wherein said one-piece contoured sleeve is comprised of a material selected from the group consisting of a plastic material, a metallic material, and a resilient material.

Claim 17 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 8 wherein said mounting portion has at least one of:

- a planar construction for attachment to a planar mounting surface;
- and

- an overhang portion extending therefrom for hanging the tissue-dispensing apparatus on at least one of a door edge, a windowsill, and a projection extending from the mounting surface.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): A tissue-dispensing apparatus for attachment to a mounting surface, said tissue-dispensing apparatus for mounting a tissue roll therein, said tissue-dispensing apparatus for dispensing a tissue fabric therefrom, comprising:

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a one-piece contoured sleeve having a tubular portion and a mounting portion extending from said tubular portion, said tubular portion for holding the tissue roll therein, said mounting portion for attaching the tissue-dispensing apparatus to the mounting surface, said tubular portion further including a slot for allowing the tissue fabric to pass therethrough;

a pair of endcaps coupled to a pair of opposing distal portions of said tubular element, said pair of endcaps intended to cover ~~covering~~ the tissue fabric; and

a spindle coupled to said pair of endcaps and intended to be inserted into the tissue roll and suspend the tissue roll within the tubular portion;[[.]]

wherein said one-piece contoured sleeve is a resilient deformable sheet that generally is folded for forming said tubular portion and said mounting portion;

wherein said mounting portion includes a front section extending from a front side of said tubular portion and a separate rear section extending from a rear side of said tubular portion;

wherein said front section and said rear section of said mounting portion comprise opposing ends of said deformable sheet with said tubular portion therebetween.

Claim 19 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 18 wherein each of said pair of endcaps has a support member formed therein for coupling said spindle thereto.

Claim 20 (Original): The tissue-dispensing apparatus as recited in claim 18 wherein said mounting portion is attached to at least one of an exiting door for a bathroom and a wall adjacent to said exiting door.